

Paris Notes

Versailles' Oldest Tree—Eiffel Tower Shows Profit

Paris.—It is said that there is only one tree in the forest of Versailles which was there in the time of Louis XIV. According to a writer in the newspaper L'Echo de Paris, this is due to the activities of Napoleon when he was First Consul of France. He then needed great quantities of wood to make rafts and convoys for his proposed invasion of England. All the forests in France were expected to contribute to this vast store and even Versailles was not excepted. The surviving tree is a giant oak.

Makes Money

The Eiffel Tower is not only a unique feature of Paris, but it is also a money-making proposition. It was revealed at a recent meeting of the stockholders that the gross receipts amounted to nearly 7,000,000 francs (\$240,000) for the year 1931, and that the net profits were almost 3,000,000 francs. M. Citroen, who uses the tower for advertising his motorcars by electrical designs, pays 300,000 francs a year for this privilege. Other sources of income are admission fees, the restaurant and the sale of souvenirs.

Art Gallery in Theatre

The Comedie Francaise, like the Opera, possesses a valuable and large collection of theatrical objects d'art, but, unlike the Opera, it has no space to display this collection adequately. Portraits and busts of bygone actors by famous artists such as Houdon and Lo Moyne are set out in the corridors, and can be viewed only by people attending a performance. It was the custom at one time for a well-known artist or sculptor to make a reproduction of some famous actor in the troupe of the Comedie Francaise, and in exchange to have a "life" admission to that theatre. There is also a large collection of manuscripts, and these are stored in a narrow corridor, together with display bills, magazines and photographs.

Bagpiper and Boards

Scottish bagpipes, Icelandic flutes and Welsh trumpets will lend color to the International Gorsedd of Breton Bards to be staged in Pontivy, Brittany, July 29 to 31 inclusive. Bards who write in the Breton language—from Scotland, Wales, Iceland, England and Canada—will assemble for their annual poetry contest, and prizes will be awarded to the Breton singers who best chant the glories of Druidic traditions. Twenty choirs will compete in a Breton esteddfod, and exposition of Breton art will be given, while in the streets "On with the dance" will be the slogan, as ancient Breton instruments play folk music. During the Gorsedd, Breton will be the chief language spoken in Pontivy, especially since many foreign delegates are unacquainted with French, but do speak a patois which is related to Breton. Mistletoe, which figures in Druidic symbolism, will be sold by Breton girls to visitors.

Uniforms at Saint-Cyr

The cadets of Saint-Cyr, France's Military Academy, are to be allowed to resume their old uniform next autumn. It consists of bright red trousers with a blue stripe and a black coat. Led by their commandant, General Frere, they have been protesting against the sky blue uniform ever since it was instituted in 1914. Then, it was only after strong protests that they were allowed to retain their traditional cockade of red and white plumes, which will, of course, continue to be worn.

Writer Wins Amity Award

The Strassburger Prize for 1932 has been awarded to M. Philippe Soupault for his articles on Franco-American friendship which appeared during 1931 in the Paris papers L'Europe Nouvelle, Vu, and Bravo. At the time of the award, M. Soupault was in the United States, making a lecture tour and writing for the Petit Parisien. No formal presentation could be made, but the news was cabled to him. This prize, the gift of Mr. Ralph Beaver Strassburger, is awarded each year for the best article or series of articles tending to promote cordial Franco-American relations.

Pre-Glacial Plants Found in Minnesota Well

Minneapolis.—Pre-glacial plant specimens that grew 50,000 years ago in Minnesota are being examined by University of Minnesota botanists. The plants, woods and mosses were found at the bottom of a former well near Bronson, Minn. It is the most extensive bed of pre-glacial plants ever discovered in the state, according to Dr. C. O. Rosendahl, head of the botany department.

Specimens found are in perfect condition, preserved under the ground moraine, or earthy residue, of the ice sheet which crept down on the region now the Middle Western States near the end of the Pleistocene era. Partial identification of the mosses, woods and plants has been made by Dr. F. K. Butters, professor of botany; Dr. Rosendahl and Robert Humphrey, assistant in the department, who has charge of the specimens. Bits of wood, clogging a pump, brought to light the remains.

Wife—"You didn't marry a cook!" He (bitterly)—"No I found that out a long time ago."



How to play Bridge AUCTION and CONTRACT

by Wynne Ferguson
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ARTICLE No. 39

In the following hand, the Professor of Greek at one of our well-known universities bid one no trump at Auction, all passed and A opened the three of clubs. The Professor's hand and the dummy's hand are as follows:

Hearts—10, 6, 5
Clubs—3, 4, 2
Diamonds—2, 10, 4, 2
Spades—Q, 10, 9

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts—A, Q, 4
Clubs—A, Q, 7
Diamonds—A, K, 3
Spades—J, 8, 7, 2

The Professor should have sized up the hand as follows: "A can have only four clubs, for he has led the three and the deuce is in dummy. Therefore, A B should only make two club tricks and two spade tricks. If the diamonds are evenly divided, I can go game without finessing the queen of hearts. If they don't break, then I will have to finesse the queen of

Hearts—Q, J, 7, 4
Clubs—A, 8, 7, 6, 2
Diamonds—A, 8, 7, 6, 2
Spades—5, 4, 3

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts—A, 8, 4, 2
Clubs—A, 9, 3
Diamonds—4
Spades—A, K, Q, 10, 6

Hearts—J, 9, 6
Clubs—Q, 10, 8, 6, 5
Diamonds—Q, J, 9, 5
Spades—7

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts—K, 10, 7, 5, 3
Clubs—2
Diamonds—K, 10, 3
Spades—J, 9, 8, 2

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts—A, 8, 4, 2
Clubs—A, 9, 3
Diamonds—4
Spades—A, K, Q, 10, 6

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts—Q, J, 10, 8, 7, 6
Clubs—A, 8, 7, 6
Diamonds—none
Spades—A, J, 7

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts—K, 6, 5
Clubs—none
Diamonds—K, Q, 6
Spades—10

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts—Q, J, 10
Clubs—Q, J
Diamonds—3
Spades—8

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts—K, 6, 5
Clubs—none
Diamonds—K, Q, 6
Spades—10

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts—Q, J, 10
Clubs—Q, J
Diamonds—3
Spades—8

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts—K, 6, 5
Clubs—none
Diamonds—K, Q, 6
Spades—10

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts—Q, J, 10
Clubs—Q, J
Diamonds—3
Spades—8

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts—K, 6, 5
Clubs—none
Diamonds—K, Q, 6
Spades—10

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts—Q, J, 10
Clubs—Q, J
Diamonds—3
Spades—8

Y :
A B :
Z :

Unfortunately, he failed to figure out the hand as outlined, and as soon as he got dummy in the lead, led the heart, finessed the queen and A won the trick with the king of hearts. It was now impossible for the Professor to go game as he had to lose two club tricks, two spade tricks and one heart trick. He should have set up his spades and then have played for the drop in diamonds. They were evenly divided so that in this way he could have made game.

If the Professor had been playing Contract, he should have made an original bid of two no trump and partner should have bid three no trump. The writer has occasionally mentioned the Law of Symmetry in these articles. This law is, in effect, a theory that there is a symmetrical relation existing between the distribution of the four suits in any one of the hands and the distribution of any one of the four suits among the four hands. This symmetrical relation is well exemplified by the distribution of the following hand, which came up recently in actual play:

Hearts—Q, J, 7, 4
Clubs—A, 8, 7, 6, 2
Diamonds—A, 8, 7, 6, 2
Spades—5, 4, 3

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts—A, 8, 4, 2
Clubs—A, 9, 3
Diamonds—4
Spades—A, K, Q, 10, 6

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts—Q, J, 10, 8, 7, 6
Clubs—A, 8, 7, 6
Diamonds—none
Spades—A, J, 7

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts—K, 6, 5
Clubs—none
Diamonds—K, Q, 6
Spades—10

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts—Q, J, 10
Clubs—Q, J
Diamonds—3
Spades—8

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts—K, 6, 5
Clubs—none
Diamonds—K, Q, 6
Spades—10

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts—Q, J, 10
Clubs—Q, J
Diamonds—3
Spades—8

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts—K, 6, 5
Clubs—none
Diamonds—K, Q, 6
Spades—10

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts—Q, J, 10
Clubs—Q, J
Diamonds—3
Spades—8

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts—K, 6, 5
Clubs—none
Diamonds—K, Q, 6
Spades—10

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts—Q, J, 10
Clubs—Q, J
Diamonds—3
Spades—8

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts—K, 6, 5
Clubs—none
Diamonds—K, Q, 6
Spades—10

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts—Q, J, 10
Clubs—Q, J
Diamonds—3
Spades—8

Y :
A B :
Z :

Hearts—K, 6, 5
Clubs—none
Diamonds—K, Q, 6
Spades—10

Stratford Gleanings

In all England there is not a cleaner, more decorous, or more restful town than Stratford-upon-Avon, and even to look upon it is to receive a suggestion of peace and comfort. The red brick dwellings shine among the trees, the flower-spangled meadows stretch away, in every direction, and the green hills, sprinkled with copse and villa, glimmer through mist, all around the lovely Vale of the Red Horse. To the north, with its conspicuous monuments; Meon in the south, rugged and bold, Red Hill in the west, and far away eastward, beyond a wide, smiling area of farms and villages, the crests of Edgehill, at Radley and Ring Sun, where once the armies of King Charles the First confronted their Roundhead foe. The face of England can wear many expressions, but when propitious, it is a face which to see is to love and nowhere is it more propitious than in stately Warwickshire, and around the home of Shakespeare.

After repeated visits to Shakespeare's town, the traveller begins to observe more closely than perhaps at first he did, its everyday life and its environment. I have rambled through fragrant fields to Clifford Church, and strolled through green lanes to romantic Preston, and climbed Borden Hill, and stood by the May-pole on Welford Common and journeyed on, the bottle-haunted crest of Edgehill, and rested at venerable Compton-Wynnetes and climbed the hills of Welcombe to peer into the "kissing alleys" of the Avon and hear the cuckoo to echo and react from rhododendron groves and from the mysterious glimes that enliven the countryside for

miles and miles around. This is the everyday life of Stratford—fertile farms, garnished meadows, avenues of white and red hawthorn, masses of milky snowball, hoysuekle, and syringa loading the soft air with fragrance, chestnuts dropping blooms of pink and white, and laburnums swinging their golden censors in the breeze.

The building that forms the southeast corner of High Street and Bridge Street in Stratford was once occupied by Thomas Quincy . . . who married the poet's daughter, Judith, and an inscription appears upon it, stating that Judith lived in it for thirty-six years. Richard Savage, that competent, patient, diligent student of the church registers and other documents, furnished proof of this fact, from investigation of the town records, that being only one of the many services that he has rendered to the old home of Shakespeare. Standing in the cellar of this house I saw that its walls are four feet thick. Also I saw many pieces of old oak which was informed had been taken from the bell-tower of the Shakespeare Church in 1837, when a new frame was installed to sustain a chime of heavy bells, and which would, eventually, be converted into various carvings, to tempt the taste of enthusiasts of Shakespeare. In the poet's time the bell-tower was surmounted, not as now by a graceful stone spire, but by a spire of timber, covered with lead. That spire was removed, and was replaced by the stone spire, in 1746. The oak frame to support the bells, however, had been in the tower more than three hundred years. —From "Gray Days and Gold," by William Winter.

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Butter Buried Centuries Unearthed in Scotland

Aberdeen, Scotland.—A remarkable find of bog-butter centuries old from Skye was described by Professor James Ritchie, F.S.A.Scot., of the University of Aberdeen, at a meeting of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland. The wooden keg containing the butter was discovered, during the cutting of peats by Mr. Hugh Mackay, at a depth of six feet. The keg was hollowed from a tree-trunk.

The butter, during its immersion for centuries, had changed into a hard, solid mass, with a somewhat rancid smell and greasy to the touch, like a piece of french chalk. It tasted, Professor Ritchie assured the audience, like slightly sweetened talow candles.

The keg and its contents, which weighed about 100 pounds, recalled the days when the farming peoples of the Highlands left their villages in spring to migrate to the upland shielings. Here they and their domestic stock remained during the summer, and during that time accumulated stores of butter and cheese which were to last throughout the winter.

The custom of burying the butter in peatbogs was widespread, for it has been found in several parts of the Western Highlands, and many in Ireland. It had been suggested that the burying was simply a device for the preservation of the butter in the absence of salt, but it is probable that prolonged burial, for at any rate a few years, "ripened" the butter and improved its flavor.

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Teach me, little playmate, Teach me to be gay, For I've felt your laughter Lightly sweep away Doubts and cares of heart and mind, Mists before a golden wind! —Adelaide Love, in the Chicago Tribune.

Rail Men Taught to Shoot Hamburg, Germany.—Because of a series of robberies at stations, the Hamburg Elevated Railway has armed its employees and allowed them time off for target practice.

Owl Laffs

Edna Wallace Hopper may have all that youthful complexion she claims to have, but she should have that voice of hers filed or scraped.

Badly Smitten

I was charmed by the look in her eye, By her nightingale voice I was smitten, And her beautiful figure, oh, my! By her glorious hair I was bitten. She's really the charmingest girl, sir, In her arms any man would find bliss, sir. But what struck me most about her Was her hand when I started to kiss her.

Host—"When I was a young man, I always said I'd never be satisfied until I'd smothered my wife in diamonds."

Guest—"Most laudable. But why in diamonds?"

A failure who understands why he lost, and blames the right person, who is himself, has some elements of greatness.

Sherlock—"Ah, Watson! I see you have put on your summer underwear."

Watson—"Marvelous, Holmes! How did you deduce that?"

Sherlock—"Well, you have forgotten to put on your trousers."

Take It Or Leave It It's a consolation to know that those who live by taxes shall perish by taxes. It would serve some of these hoarders right, too, if they forgot where they hid it. Only exceptional men can run enterprises on idealistic lines and make them pay. The average person's imagination is what enables physicians to make a comfortable living. Believe it, please, there are fellows so tight that they regret it when the pores function. Buying her too big a stone has put more than one boy on the rocks. Maybe so many society girls go on the stage because it has become a matter of good form.

Loafer—"Will you marry me?" Working Girl—"I'm afraid not." Loafer—"Aw, come on, be a suppart."

The Wife—"Don't you think we ought to get mother a little present to take back with her when she goes? Can you suggest anything?" The Brute—"What about a nice big jar of vanishing cream?"

It may be, as a woman's college inquiry shows, that men get mad twice as often as women, but don't the woman break even by getting twice as mad?

Jerry—Tom, are you ever troubled with sleeplessness?" Tom—"I am. Some nights I don't sleep three hours."

Jerry—"I pity you, then. I've got it awfully bad. I've been afflicted now for about three years. The doctor calls it 'neuria insomnia paxalaxitis'."

Tom (grunting)—"I've had it about six months; but we call it a baby."

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The business man who retired to escape salesmen has returned to his office to avoid house-to-house canvassers.

Teacher—"Your trouble is you don't address the ball properly." Would-Be Golfer—"Well, I was polite as long as I could be."

A Traveling Cannery A traveling cannery to aid in conserving surplus foodstuffs is an original idea being promoted in Josephine County (Ore.) Boiler, pressure cooker, tin cans, sealer and other needed equipment are being assembled on a four-wheel trailer which will shortly establish a schedule for visits to various communities. It is expected that a majority of the 445 families enrolled in the year-round garden project will take advantage of this profitable cannery to preserve their garden produce.

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Prince is Entitled To All Treasure Trove London.—The discovery of gold bracelets 3,000 years old under a hedgebank in a Cornish village has drawn attention to a little-known privilege enjoyed by the Prince of Wales. As the Duke of Cornwall he is the only one of the King's subjects in England to have the rights of treasure trove.

The British Museum has now acquired this Cornish treasure trove from the heir to the throne. It consists of six bracelets and two torques—twisted gold probably worn as bracelets. On the bullion value of the hoard, which was discovered by a laborer, a considerable sum will be paid to the finder.

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